Joint Management Plan Review GFNMS Vessel Traffic Working Group Meeting March 13, 2003, GFNMS Office Draft Meeting Summary

Present:

Maria Brown, Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary
George Galasso, Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary
Lt Christopher Hochschild, US Coast Guard
Nancy Jameson, Management Plan Review Volunteer
Sean Kelley, US Coast Guard
Cmdr Dave Kranking, US Coast Guard
Ross Sargent, US Coast Guard
Becky Smyth, NOS Regional Liason
Anne Walton, National Marine Sanctuary Program
Gerry Wheaton, NOAA Office of Coast Survey

Items No.

I. Review of Meeting Minutes:

Changed VTS to TSS (Traffic Separation Scheme)

II. Anatomy of a Management Plan:

Anne reviewed the handouts in the packet.

III. Issue Characterization:

Reviewed issue description. High voluntary compliance by vessels.

IV. Building a Framework for Addressing the Priority Issue—See Handouts Reviewed and revised problem statement. Changed issue from "Vessel Traffic" to "Vessel Spills." Revised goal and objectives.

Objectives. US Coast Guard can provide vessel transit information to the Sanctuary to monitor compliance.

Reviewed and revised objectives and outcomes.

V. Identify Background Materials and Technical Expertise Needs for Next Meetings

Process

- Presentation on the MBNMS process
- Presentation by George Galasso on Olympic Coast vessel management strategy

Risk Assessment

- Presentation by Jean Cameron who wrote "West Coast Offshore Vessel Risk Management Project"
- Presentation by Heather Parker-Hall on the oceanographic regime and modeling

Response

 Presentation by Tim Holmes on how the area contingency plan effects the GFNMS

Marine Safety

- Presentation by Captain Lynn Corwatch from the Marine Exchange or a recommendation for a Captain to speak to the group
- Presentation by a Bar Pilot

Next Meetings:

April 11, 2003 May 9, 2003 May 20, 2003

Submitted by: Maria Brown

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